

STATEMENT OF SCOPE

Hearing and Speech Examining Board

Rule No.: HAS 6 & 7

Relating to: Licensure of speech-language pathologists, audiologists and temporary licenses and requirements for renewal of credentials granted by the Hearing and Speech Examining Board.

Rule Type: Permanent

1. Finding/nature of emergency (Emergency Rule only):

N/A

2. Detailed description of the objective of the proposed rule:

The objective of the proposed rule is to update the rule to reflect the changes due to Wisconsin 09 Act 356 relating to the requirements for licensure of audiologists, including temporary licenses, and removal of the requirement to provide certification of calibrations of audiometric equipment in order to renew a license.

In addition, the objective is to streamline, clarify and update the chapters HAS 6 and 7.

3. Description of the existing policies relevant to the rule, new policies proposed to be included in the rule, and an analysis of policy alternatives:

Wisconsin 09 Act 356 modified the requirements for licensure of audiologists and removed the requirement to provide certification of calibrations of audiometric equipment in order to renew a license. The rule needs to be updated to reflect these changes in the statute.

The code also contains outdated practices and procedures. This proposed rule would review and update chapters HAS 6 and 7 in the interest of clarifying and streamlining the process while maintaining the health, safety and welfare of the public.

4. Detailed explanation of statutory authority for the rule (including the statutory citation and language):

§ 15.08(5)(b) Each examining board shall promulgate rules for its own guidance and for the guidance of the trade or profession to which it pertains, and define and enforce professional conduct and unethical practices not inconsistent with the law relating to the particular trade or profession.

§ 459.12(1) The examining board may make rules not inconsistent with the laws of this state which are necessary to carry out the intent of this chapter.

§ 459.12(2) The examining board shall promulgate rules establishing the frequency of the calibrations, the standards for the calibrations and the standards for the certifications required by s. 459.085.

§459.24(6)(c) A temporary license granted under this subsection is valid for a period designated in rules promulgated by the examining board. The rules may designate a period that terminates if an applicant fails to take the next available examination under s. 459.26(2)(a) or (b) for reasons other than inaction by the examining board or hardship.

5. Estimate of amount of time that state employees will spend developing the rule and of other resources necessary to develop the rule:

150 hours

6. List with description of all entities that may be affected by the proposed rule:

Hearing instrument specialists, speech language pathologists, audiologists, and applicants.

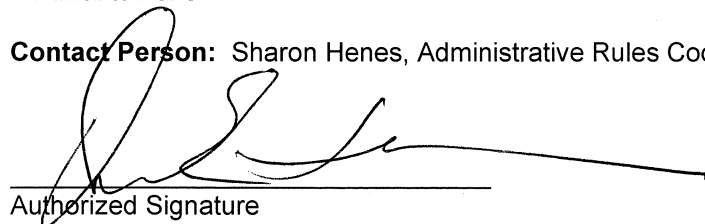
7. Summary and preliminary comparison with any existing or proposed federal regulation that is intended to address the activities to be regulated by the proposed rule:

None

8. Anticipated economic impact of implementing the rule (note if the rule is likely to have a significant economic impact on small businesses):

Minimal to none

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